

information from herbarium material I have become aware of several locations of this plant throughout New England and elsewhere. If anyone has any information regarding *Podostemum ceratophyllum*, or knows of any populations, I would be most pleased to hear of them.

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## THE REDISCOVERY OF JUNCUS STYGIUS IN MAINE

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*Juncus stygius* L. var. *americanus* Buchenau is a northern bog rush found throughout Canada and rarely into northern United States from Maine to Minnesota. This rush is on the rare and endangered lists of Maine (Eastman, 1978), New York (Mitchell et al. 1980) and Michigan (Wagner et al., 1977). A total of five locations have been reported for this species from Minnesota (Wheeler & Glaser, 1979). Three historical records are known from Maine: two from Fort Kent and one from Crystal Bog, Crystal. The Fort Kent populations were last reported in 1908. The Crystal Bog population was discovered in



1907 by M. L. Fernald. Tyler and Gawler (1980) indicated that this rush had not been found recently.

During August 1979, while doing field work with Harry Tyler, Jr. and Kathy Kehoe on the wetland areas in Aroostook County, Garrett Crow of the University of New Hampshire and I were taken to the bog. Accompanying us were Candy McKellar and Sally Rooney, of the Nature Conservancy's Crystal Bog Stewardship Committee, who have been conducting botanical investigations of the bog. They stated at that time that *Juncus stygius* was the only plant not rediscovered in the bog. Upon entering the bog I spotted several plants and then found it to be common. The site was the large open portion of the bog west of the *Thuja* stand. Here *J. stygius* was found growing with *Rhynchospora alba* (L.) Vahl., with which it might be confused. This species can easily be overlooked and may occur more frequently in other bogs of Aroostook County. Specimens have been deposited in the herbaria of Boston State College, The University of Maine, and the New England Botanical Club.

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